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Examiner:

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Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Species Restriction presented in the Office Action mailed May 14, 2003, Applicant hereby elects Species I, drawn to a trailer as shown in Figures 1-7 as required under 35 U.S.C. §121 for prosecution on the merits. Currently, it is believed that claims 1-12 are generic and thus readable on Species I as well as any non-elected species.

Should the Examiner have any questions or concerns regarding the Restriction Requirement, he is invited to contact Applicants under signed representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Sir:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the attached RESPONSE TO **RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT** was mailed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA, with sufficient first-class postage, no special handling, on June 13, 2003, before 5:00 PM, thereby ensuring that such document(s) will be in the hands of the U.S. Postal Service by the close of business this day. Thus, timely response has been made to the outstanding Office Action prior to expiration of the shortened statutory period for the same ending June 13, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which might be required or credit any overpayment of fees with regard to the attached document(s) to Account No. 08-3150.

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